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In re Patent Application of:
Matthew D. LINNIK et al.

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For: METHODS OF TREATING AND
MONITORING SYSTEMIC LUPUS
ERYTHEMATOSUS IN INDIVIDUALS

Examiner: F. Sajjadi

STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Interview Summary mailed October 1, 2007 (Paper No. 20070925). The Interview Summary states that a statement of the substance of the interview is due one month from the interview date of September 25, 2007 or one month from the mail date of the Interview Summary, October 1, 2007, whichever is later. Accordingly, this statement is due on November 1, 2007 and is timely filed.

REMARKS

Applicant Matthew Linnik, and Applicant's representatives, Terri Shieh-Newton and Alicia Hager, wish to thank Examiner Fereydoun G. Sajjadi for taking the time to conduct a telephonic interview on September 25, 2007.

The subject of the telephone interview was the Response to Office Action filed on August 27, 2007. Claim rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112, 2nd paragraph and 35 U.S.C. 112, 1st paragraph scope of enablement were discussed as well as the Wallace et al. reference. Discussion focused on independent claims. In addition, corrections to certain sequences in the specification and the claims, as well as amendments to the claims, were discussed. The sequence-related corrections and other claim amendments that were discussed during the interview are reflected in the amendments in the specification and claims that were filed on August 27, 2007.

In the event the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, Applicant petition for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing docket number 252312008000. However, the Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

Dated: November 1, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

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